concluding remarks of Mr Peel in a late ad-

dress before Parliament The conduct of Government is an arduous and difficult undertaking. I may, without irreverence be permitted to say, that like our physical frame, our ancient constitution is "fearfully and wonderfully made;" that it is no easy task to ensure the harmonious and united action of monarchy, aristocracy, and a reformed House of Commons. These are the objects which we have attempted to accomplish, and I cannot think that they are inconsistent with a pure and enlarged conservatism. Power for such objects is really valuable; but for my own part I can say with ot exvet it. It is a burden far above my physical, infinitely above my intellectual strength. The relief from it with honor would be a favor and not a punishment. But while honor and a sense of public duty require it, I do not shrink from office. I am ready to incur its responsibilities; to bear its sacrifices to affront its honorable perils;but I will not retain it with mutilated power and shackled authority. I will not sland at the helm during a temperations night, if that helm is not al-lowed freely to traverse. I will not undertake to direct the course of the vessel by observations taken in the year 1842. I will reserve to myself the unfettered power of judging what will be for the public interest. I do not desire to be York. the Minister of England; but while I am Minister of England, I will hald office by no servile tenure: I will hold office unshackled by any other obligation than that of consulting the they hold unincumbered Real Estate of the public interests, and providing for the public

From the Boston Mail. The Boy ... The Man.

The history of public men in this country, if written out, would furnish many bright June, 4 soon the election of Delegates to comsuccessfully against poverty and obsenrity.-It is the peculiar trait of our institutions, that tions to nominate Delegates develop the purthey bring out and develop the intellectual power of the people. The receipt, from the Hon, Solomon Foot, one of the members of Congress from Vermont, of a printed copy of his speech on the Oregon question, has sug-gested to our mind a pleasing train of thought in connexion with what we have just remark have seen to the contrary-go for the present as bitterly as does Calhoun and his free trade 3d " " ed. The speech referred to, is one of the most clear, comprehensive, and logical, yet whether any member of Congress has the the rank-and-file, of the "Liberty" or 3d party ters which have recently appeared in defence 2d " " power to make a better speech, or one better incline to favor it, but the leaders, with only of protection goes for the present Tariff becalculated to impress the mind with the truth few exceptions, decline to unite with the cause, as he alleges, he has the control of and justice of the author's reasoning, and the Whigs for the election of free suffrage Dele- 20,000 sheep in S. America-half merino, as 3d " " strength of his power in debate. It is one of gates, and go as they have heretofere in elec- we infer from Mr J.'s story. This in itself Best breeding sow those finished productions, to which, apparently, nothing can be added or ebstracted tions, by themselves as a party. They hold contradicts Mr J,'s inference of personal intercently, nothing can be added or ebstracted to be the part of Mr L, provided be has so without detracting from its strength. In a the balance of power in Counties enough to second the part of Mr L., provided he has so Best litter of pigs not less than 5 without detracting from its strength. In a strength, the strength of free suff- many sheep—for half merino wool is not Best agricultural essay word, it covers the whole ground so complete, cure the election of a majority of free suff- many sheep—for half merino wool is not Best agricultural essay ly that, to the imprejudiced mind, honestly rage Delegates and thereby give liberty to the coarse and the present law exacts full 40 per seeking for enlightenment and truth, nothing poor colored native citizens of the State. By cent. duty on such wool-and lets in only Best acre of wheat more need be said on the subject,

was a poor orphan boy who was for a time last Congress to carry annexation-ore trying cidual." Indeed, personally considered, as Best acre of corn "taken into service," half in charity, by our to push their voters up to the sticking point Mr Lawrence is a very rich man, Mr Walker's 2d " " " this farmer's log, by the force of his genius, and the energy of his character, was able to procure a collegiste education, and to come out one of the first scholars in his class. And 3d party press in other States. The following since his graduation, he has risen step by article, with the extract from the Emuncipator, step, until he is looked upon not only as one explains the matter. The comments upon lowing melancholy account of an accident in 3d *** " " of the first men in his native State, but one the extract are from the N. Y. Tribune:

Rurke. He writes under date of East Burke. " VEGET." of the first in the Congress of the United

Here is a bescon and an example for the vouth of our country—one that hids them in "A late paper of The Emancipator, the organ language almost as plain and brilliant as the of the Birneyites in new England, speaking "hand writing on the wall." never despair!- of the position and proposed action of the Lib-The path of honorable distinction is open to erry party on the Convention question in this all, and he that joursues it with most honesty, energy and intellectual power, will be sure to is greatest laurels and most enduring fame. There are none so poor or so humble but that they may rise to distinction and hon-The famous Counsellor Phillips, (the favorite of school-bey orators) in the midst of a great deal of froth, sometimes gave utterance to a very brilliant thought; and it is one of his most brilliant, wherein he says-"How often RULE BY WHICH WE VOTED IN RE-"have I thought, amid that little circle of neg-"lected triflers, who seem to have been born "in caprice & bred in orphanage, might exist "some MIND formed in nature's fired mould, "and wrought for immortality!-some Cix-"CINNATUS, in whose breast the destinies of a "nation might lie dormant; some Milton, "pregnant with celestial fire;" some Curran who, when thrones were crumbled and dy-"nasties forgetten, might stand the landmark however, refrain from calling the attention of "of his country's genius rearing himself amid every candid man to the palpable admissions "regul ruins and national dissolution,a mental "pyramid in the solitude of time, beneath "whose shade, things might moulder, but a-"round whose summit eternity must play."

a Barbarian. An event quite unexpected greater consequence than the defeat of annex-and one we should entirely doubt the truth ation. They might (such is the clear admisof, were it not so well attested by the journals of Paris, has just taken place at Tavis. A letter from that city, dated February, announces that the Bey of Tunis has just published a Suffrage, by voting with the party most favordecree, declaring that all the Negroes residing able to their views on that point; but they in his states are free, by virtue of which, any deemed it far more important to keep their foreign slave who may touch the soil of his dominions, shall be thenceforth restored to

The decree has been carried immediately into effect, and no disorder has been caused both of the great parties were substantially pro by it. The greater part of the enfranchised -Texas-that neither, if in power would prenegroes have remained with their former vent Annexation-nay, Mr Birney himself masters, and have continued to work as servants, with regular wages.

"Esquine. Mr Cist, of Cist's Cincinnati Advertiser, requests as a favor from his Cor- should be. [This, at all events, is no forgery, respondents, that they will in future not ap- for we received it in his own hand-writing, and pend the Esq. to his name. He gives sever- published it therefrom.] Now we insist that all al reasons for it, one of which is the following: "It is inapplicable to me. Esquire is derived from the French Ecurea, a stable boy or ostler. I have not cleaned a stable for ron-

WATER RUNNING UP HILL. Dr. Smith, in a lecture on geology, at New York, mentioned a curious circumstance connected with the Mississippi river. It runs fron north to south and its mouth is actually four miles higher than its source, a result due to the centrifugal motion of the earth. Thirteen miles is the radius; and the river, 2000 miles, has to rise one third of this distance—it being the height of the equator above the pole. If this centrifugal force were not continued, the river would flow back, and the ocean would over-

THE CALEDONIAN.



Here shall the Press the People's rights maintain, Unneed by influence, and unbribed by gain-Here patriot Truth her glorious precepts draw, Pledged to Religion, Liberty, and Law.

ST. POLISEVILL, SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1846.

By the Constitution of the State of N. York colored citizens are not allowed to vote unless. value of \$250. There are some thousands of colored natives disfranchised by this provision, while the recruits from the poor houses of Europe are allowed to vote in that State A convention to revise the constitution is to assemble in June, & soon the election of Delegates to composes of each party of the State.

noticed-nominate Delegates in favor of re- trade and such as the Tories of the Revolution Best full blood merino buck

moving the property qualification. provision of the Constitution as to this question, followers. Mr Jewett also insinuates that the Best 20 full blood merine ewes or do not go for the proposed change. Some of Hon. Abbott Lawrence, the author of the let- Best 20 other ewes uniting with the Whigs they could do this - coarse at the low duty. But there is a positive 3d " "

BIRNEYISM-TEXAS-FREE SUFF-RAGE

State, says:

"We are sorry and somewhat surprised that he question has arisen; for we understand it be a part of one general compact that we cal advantage in regard to any one of the incidentals of Slavery that may come in ques-ARD TO TEXAS-and it seems to us the only rule that can establish mutual confidence to render permanent our unity as a party.

We suppress the comments we at first determined to make on the above paragraph, because we do not choose at this moment to be or appear in controversy with any who profess a devotion to Equal Suffrage. We cannot therein made. How did the Liberty party 'vote in regard to Texas?' Plainly (the Emancipator here implies) in disregard of its ad, mission, deeming the preservation of their own AN EXAMPLE TO THE UNITED STATES, FROM distinctive character and drill as a party of sion of the Emancipator) have defeated Annexation, just as they may now secure Equal ranks distinct and unbroken. This is precisely what we charged and they denied all through the Presidential canvass. They insisted that wrote to us for publication that he considered annexation more likely to take place if Mr Clay were chosen President than if Mr Polk this was not only not so, but known to be otherwise by Mr Birney and the Emancipator at the time; and that they plainly swindled the Whigs

respecting Black Suffrage." [After the above admission by the, Emancipator, that the 3d party leaders are responsible difference between the equatorial and polar for annexation of Texas, we hope the Freeman and its friends will see the folly of their accusing the Caledonian of misrepresentation in charging them with this responsibility .-They ought to shut their mouths, and they will if they have any shame in them.]

out of the Presidential Election by palpably

false pretences. And this is substantially ad-

mitted in the paragraph above quoted, where it

is used as an argument in favor of just such

another move (without the false pretence)

Meeting of the Directors.

The Directors of the Connecticut and Passumpsic Rivers R. R. Company meet next week, in Boston, when their plans of operation for the season will be agreed upon and settled. They will be, probably, very much as they have heretofore been made public.

The Slave trade seems to have revived very 3d best " much of late. Wonder if the new and exten- Best bull cali sive market for slayes opened in Texas has a- 2d best " " ny thing to do with this revival? Since Best cow annexation was settled emigration to Texas 2d best has been going on rapidly and consequently a greater demand has ensued for chattels.

THE SMALL POX. From the number of deaths noticed in the papers down country,by small pox, it is evident that the disease is pre- Best lot of calves vailing extensively in Boston and large towns 2d best " in the vicinity. We have noticed within a week three deaths by this disease of persons from Vermont. Those going there should first Best pair of working oxen

ALBERT J. TIBBELL, the Murderer of Mrs. 4th " " Bickford, in Boston, some months since, has Best pair 3 year old steers been tried for murder and acquitted. Rufus Choate was the principal counsel in behalf of Best pair 2 year old Steers the prisoner. Tirrell was remanded to prison 2d " to await his trial for arson.

The last Montpelier Patriot parades in 2d a its columns about as many certificates of loco- Best fat cow foco papers in behalf of its new editor, Mr 2d " " Eastman, as is usually found attached to a nos- Best stud horse kept in the county the trum advertisement for the cure of all diseases.' What is the occasion, pray? Is it a common 2d best one or only extraordinary? Really, we have Best breeding mare not seen for a long time so long an apology for 2d " siderable interest, and the primary Conven. an Editor. It is but just to say Mr E. was ab- Best gelding or mare

Tr The papers in Vermont enlisted in de- Best pair of matched geldings The Whig Conventions-or all that we have fence of the old ultra federal notions of free supported, are publishing Mr Jewett's Letter Best other buck The Palk party universally-for aught we against the Tariff of 1842. He denounces it 2d " "

An Avalanche--Two Persons Killed.

A correspondent furnishes us with the fol- 2d " " " Burke. He writes under date of East Burke, Best trace of seed corn March 26.

"A late paper of The Emencipator, the organ prise you of a most heart-rending occurrence Best square rod of carrots which two persons lost their lives,

small log house in which two persons lived, and 10 of each was, in the course of the preceding night overwhelmed with and partly carried away by an rere to stick to our independent organization avalanche of earth, which by the storm yestera sil places, and not forego it for the sake of a day, and by the loose condition in which the Best plough first had left it, had become disengaged from Best harrow a high and very steep bank directly in rear of 2d ..

The house was occupied by Mr Charles Newell and wife, who were very aged and de- 2d best cripid people, and whose bodies were taken 3d best from the rains as they lay in their bed. The Best 100 pounds new cheese from the ruins as they lay in their bed. The 2d best shock was so sudden, from appearances that Best box of honey they were unconscious of the calamity and did 2d best not awake to know the cause of their death .- Best 30 lbs maple sugar They were found in the very place where the 2d " " " bed usually stood, the logs and rubbish passing Best 10 yards fulled cloth over and above them so they were not moved 2d a a a from their position. A few small contusions Best 10 yards Flannel were found upon their bodies, but they were 2d " " very slight. They were evidently suffocated Best 10 yards woosen tro by the mud and water with which they were 2d best found covered. A Jury of Inquest has been Best linnen table spread held upon the bodies.—Verdiet—"Came to Best rug their death by misfortune or mischance."

Mr Newell was 74 years old, and his wife Best 10 yards linnen diaper Sally aged 68. Another correspondent from Burke writes to us as follows:

"The remains were carried to the dwelling house of Mr W. Spencer, and on the 28th to the meeting house, where a large and attentive audience were addressad on the occasion by Rev. R. Godding, from Ecl. 9: 10-12-other exercises by Rev. J. Clark. After the public exercises their remains were deposited in one grave to rest until awaked by the voice of God, and called to meet that Saviour in the air, whom they have faithfully served here on the earth-

"They who die in Christ are blest; Ours be, then, no thought of grieving; Sweetly with their God they rest, All their toils and troubles leaving."

F"Fanny Forester" (Miss Chubbuckteacher in the Female Seminary, Utica, N. York,) the writer of several beautiful and popular tales-some of which we have published -is about to be married, says a letter from Philadelphia, to the Rev. Mr Judson, long a missionary in India, but now on a visit to this country.

THE SENATORS FROM TEXAS. Mr Rusk, one of the Senators from the new State of Texas, has arrived in Washington, and appeared in his seat in the Senate on Thursday. General Houston is expected in a few days. They are understood to favor Mr Calhoun's views on the Oregon question, and will vote for the qualification notice of Mr Colquitt...

Caledonia County Agricultural dren and females whose husbands or fathers, if thousand deaths. His nerves were whole Society.

PREMIUMS OFFERED FOR 1846. CATTLE. Best Bull 2 years old and upwards 2d best " " 3d best " " Best yearling bull 3d best ** ** Best 2 year old heifer 2d best " " Best lot of yearlings

The cow from which the most butter was made in the month of June-the butter to be produced at the fair 2d best " 3d ** ** ** ** ** 3d 11 14 14 14 Best pair fat oxen

3,00

2,00

2,00

Best 1-4th acre of beans Best acre of turnips

Best 3 acres of grass VEGETABLES, FRUIT, &c. Best peck of table potatoes MR CHARWICK-Dear Sir .- I hasten to ap- Best square rod of onions Best 6 pumpkins Best 6 squashes

Early this morning it was discovered that a Best lot of apples not less than 5 varieties Best lot of maple trees transplanted the present spring not less than 50 alive at the time of the fair

FARMING TOOLS.

HOUSEHOLD AND OTHER MANUFAC-TURES Best tub of butter not less than 25 lbs

Rest 10 yards woolen frocking

Best 10 yards tow cloth

Best pound linnen thread Best pair woolen socks or stockings " worsted · woolen mittens 44 shoes

6 shirt collars " plain mat " leaf mat specimen of worsted work specimen of fancy needle work " specimen of cabinet work harness

" specimen of tin ware 5 pieces " side of sole leather " upper leather " calf skin a hat

\$10,00 in addition to be awarded by the ommittee at their discretion. Applicants for premiums on field crops will

kind of soil, method of preparing it, preparation of seed, time of sowing, &c. Applicants for premiums on butter or cheese

will be required to present a written statement of the time when it was made, the management of the dairy, &c. Applicants for premiums on the agricultural

essay will need present their essays to some one of the Committee on essays at hand 6 days previous to the day of the fair.

he becomes a member of the Society before 9 etrated his heart. His agony of mind was be o'clock of the day of the fair—excepting chil-

they have any, are members. No premium will unstrung—he became sick in body as well as be awarded where in the judgment of the in mind, it seemed as if he would be bereft

success and improvement of the agricultural The funeral of Porterfield drew together a success and improvement of the agricultural large concourse of citizens, anxious to drop a interests of the County, to induce them to tear upon his grave. The Whig lifts up its come forward and enroll their names as mem-2,00 bers of the society and assist in raising the lowed the arrest of Judson, but its censure is amount of funds that will entitle us to draw more than counteracted by the declaration 3,00 amount of funds that will entitle us to araw that, "Before God, we could stand by and see 2,00 our proportion of the money appropriated by such an offender shot down by the injured

2,00
4. Caledonia" is not apt to be behind her sistanger as the public spirit and having for the success a liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for the success as liberal public spirit and having for "Caledonia" is not apt to be behind her sisits object the public good; and where, if not in and most dangerous tendency, and om nee this garden of New England, shall we look be justified for a population whose interest it is, and whose INCREASE OF THE NATIONAL DE privilege it should be, to unite in a Society for the promotion of agriculture.

Farmers and mechanics of Caledonia County, let us this season do our best upon our 3.00 ly, let us this scanner and in our shops, and at our own "Har- "in his judgment, any circumstances connecvest Home" we will meet together and show ted with, or growing out of the foreign relaeach other what we have done and tell each other how we did it. E. B. CHASE, Pres. G. B. CHASELER, Sec. March, 31, 1846.

The Free Trade Tariffand Wool. The Watchman makes the following notes upon the Patriot's commendation of Mr Polk's contained in their resolution of the Uth inor Mr Walker's plan of protecting Vermont

"Since the Patriot asserts that "comparathis time an increase of our maya) or miles 1,00 tively none of the fine wool paying 40 per force," and, if so, "what those circumstates 1,00 cent." has been imported, it is fair to infer are," I have to express the opinion, that that the duty of 40 per cent, is after all very wise precaution demands such increase, 3.00 fair protection; yet, as some of that wool is ber last, I recommended to the favorable con-2.00 still imported, it is also fair to presume that sideration of Congress an increase of our an 3,00 the duty is not too high. Now what does val force, especially of our steam may, and 3,00 the duty is not too high. Now what does Walker's bill propose? It is to reduce the duty one half (and more) on wool which now pays 40 per cent. If fine wool is now imported under the 40 per cent duty, is it not clear that much more of that wool will come in when half of the duty is removed? We in when half of the duty is removed? We should be promptly carried into effect, but think so. But it is said that Walker's bill in-that additional provision should be made for the public defence. The consideration distributional provision was brought before an additional provision was brought before an 2,00 cent.—that is to say 1 cent and four mills per propriate committees of the two houses of 1,00 pound. If that wool does not compete with Congress, in answer to calls made by them. 5,00 ours, our farmers owe no thanks for the in- in reports prepared, with my sanction is the 5,00 crease; but if it does compete with ours, how much grafitude is due for a duty of less than January last; a mode of communication will 3,00 a cent and a half on a pound costing seven Congress not unusual, and, under existing the cents? Is that protection? By no means: to cumstances, believed to be most eligible. Sub-Samples of the wheat to be produced at the protect wool-growers the Tariff of '42 should sequent events have confirmed me in the opin at least be faithfully executed, [exacting not ion that these recommendations were proper 5,00 20, but more than double 20 per cent. duty.] and precautionary measures.

It was a wise maxim of the Father of his 3,00
2,00 and all its provisions against frauds should
3,00 be rigorously enforced. But it would be still
2,00 better to impose a specific duty, on all wool
1,00 that competes with ours—a specific duty
3,00 that competes with ours—a specific duty
1,00 the most efficient means of preserving peace; and that, "avoiding occasion of expense by cultivating peace," we should be member, also, that timely disturbeness to 5,00 high enough to give fair protection, —and to prepare for danger frequently perent much appoint inspectors in all our ports competent greater disbursements to repel a." The gen-2.00 2.00 to execute the law faithfully. We observe that a Whig member of the present Congress world. A controversy respecting the Oregon proposes a specific duty on this cheap wool; territory now exists between the United States and if the Patriot has any regard for the wool and Great Britain; and while, as far as w 1,00 growers of Vermont, we advise it to abandon know, the relations of the latter with all Eathe British bill, and support the Whig measure which we have indicated."

MURDER AND EXCITEMENT.

A Nashville, Tenn. paper of the 15th says: 50 "Yesterday afternoon E. Z. C. Judson shot cere may be the desire of peace, in the ex-50 and killed Mr. Robt. Porterfield, of this city. of a rupture those instruments and pre-A difficulty, of a nature to which we do not arations would be used against our comcare to refer, had arisen between the parties Whatever may have been the original purpoand upon meeting, shots were exchanged, of these preparations, the fact is un which resulted as stated above. Judson was that they are now proceeding, in part, at less arrested, but the excitement was so great with a view to the contingent possibility of against him that when he was taken before war with the United States. The general Justice Farris for examination it became evident that he would be summarily dealt with. was distinctly announced, in the speech free Some cried 'shoot him,' others 'hang him,' the throne, as late as January last, and he and a brother of the deceased shot at him several times-a number of shots were fired at crown in both houses of Parliament. Under 3.00 him by others, and strange to say, he escaped this aspect of our relations with Great Benza unhurt, ran off and hid himself in the City I cannot doubt the propriety of increases 1,00 Hotel. Hundreds of excited persons collect-3,00 ed around the hotel, and after searching can give Great Britain no cause of effect. 2,00 sometime he was found, and in endeavoring 2,00 to escape he fell from the 3d story of the porch 1,00 without serious injury. The sheriff then took charge of him & conveyed him to prison, the pilities for the maintenance of our just rights people now seeming willing that the law

should take its course. Mr J. C. Pentecost was shot in the arm by a stray ball, and it is astonishing that others the two countries be avoided, as I sneed 1,60 were not wounded or killed."

1,00

The following additional information re-the treasury, in making the necessary pro-pecting the above case is from a letter in arations, will not be lost: while, in the creat specting the above case is from a letter in the Cincinnati Herald:

"Here it was hoped the matter would end, that all violence would cease, and the law be permitted to vindicate itself. But there was a thirst for vengeance excited, and it must 1,00 needs be quenched. So at night a party went to the jail and demanded the prisoner, who was given up to them. "Hang him," was their determination, and he was accordingly 1,00 marched off to a proper place, a rope placed about his neck, one end thrown over a tem-50 porary gallows, and he was hauled up between Heaven and Earth. Pop went the rope, 50 and down fell the victim, his necklace having vielded to the momentum of his body. Here been extended to British subjects in that terrbetter counsels prevailed, and he was taken tory. back and delivered to the jailor in rather a low 1,00 state of health, scarcely able to speak. It is 1,00 presumed now that nothing farther will be done in the way of violence, and that the prisoner will be allowed the benefit of a trial by

1,00 jury. The Nashville Whig makes a full disclosure of all the circumstances connected with the late tragedy at that place. It seems that Judson had boasted of his criminal intimacy with be required to furnish written statements of the the wife of Porterfield. This coming to the knowledge of the latter, he was naturally very much exasperated. Judson, on being confronted by Porterfield, denied that he had uttered such a boast, but he afterward owned that his denial was prompted by the fear of losing his life. While these circumstances, so well calculated to exasperate a husband, were fresh in the mind of Porterfield, it was reported to him, on authority which left no doubt of the fact, that his wife and Judson had been seen together in the grave yard near the town. On the receipt of this infor-No person is entitled to a premium unless mation, he fell to the floor as if a ball had pen-

of reason, and apprehensions were enterting Committee it is not deserved.

The above premiums are offered upon the condition, and with the expectation that sufficiently and the condition of the condition cient funds will be raised by the Society.

It is hoped that the farmers of Caledonia ed, of meeting with Judson. They did meet with him, however, and the result is known.

The funeral of Porterfield description of the country will feel sufficiently interested in the country will be considered in the c husband, with as little regret as we could so

FENCES.

We give below the Message of the President of the United States, in reply to the call of the Senate, asking information whether tions of the country, require at this time an increase of our naval or military force," The message was transmitted to the Senate of the United States on Tuesday last,

To the Senate of the United States: stant, whether, in my 'judgment, an even-stances connected with, or growing out the foreign relations of this country, require

In my annual message of the 2d of Decem-

ropean nations are of the most pacific chantter, she is making unusual and extraording armaments and warlike preparations, an and military, both at home and in her North

American possessions.
It cannot be disguised that, however icy of making additional warlike preparat since been reiterated by the ministers of the means of defence, both by land and sea, Tis nor increase the danger of a rupture, if so the contrary, we should fold our arms in scurity, and at last be suddenly involved inharwithout any adequate preparation, our would be of the sponsibility to the country gravest character. Should collision between trust it may be, the additional charge upon of such a collision, they would be indispers ble for the maintenance of our national relia and national honor.

I have seen no reason to change or solf the recommendations of my annual message in regard to the Oregon question. The no tice to abrogate the treaty of the 6th of August 1827, is authorized by the treaty itself, and cannot be regarded as a warlike measure and I cannot withhold my strong conviction that it should be promptly given. isting treaty, and would afford to American citizens in Oregon no more than the sm measure of protection which has long since

The state of our relations with Mexico still in an unsettled condition. Since the meet ing of Congress another revolution has taken place in that country, by which the Government has passed into the hands of new rulers. This event has procrastinated, and may possible defeat, the settlement of the differences between the United States and that county The Minister of the United States to Mexic at the date of the last advices, had not less received by the existing authorities. strations of a character hostile to the Unite States continue to be made in Mexico, which has rendered it proper, in my judgment keep nearly two thirds of our Army on ou Southwestern frontier. In doing this, man of the regular military posts have been duced to a small force, inadequate to their de

fence, should an emergency arise. In view of these "circumstances," it is n "judgment" that "an increase of our navalso military force is at this time required," place the country in a suitable state of defeat At the same time, it is my settled purpose